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"AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPAL AND STATE RECYCLING."

- 1 Strike line 5 in its entirety and substitute the following in lieu
- 2 thereof: "sustainability plan for such state building, facility or park."
- 3 In line 8, after "biodegradable" insert "cleaning"
- 4 In line 14, after "owned" insert "or leased"
- 5 In line 31, strike "November" and insert "February" in lieu thereof
- 6 In line 32, strike "2009, or one year" and insert "2010, or eighteen
- 7 months" in lieu thereof
- 8 In line 41, strike "said" and insert "such" in lieu thereof
- 9 In line 50, strike "said" and insert "such" in lieu thereof
- 10 In line 60, strike "January" and insert "May" in lieu thereof

11 Strike line 86 in its entirety, and substitute the following in lieu

- 12 thereof: "terminate on February 1, 2010, or eighteen months after the
- 13 disbursement of"
- In line 117, strike "January" and insert "May" in lieu thereof
- In line 152, strike "February" and insert "June" in lieu thereof
- In line 159, strike "Said" and insert "Such" in lieu thereof
- 17 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 18 internal references accordingly:
- 19 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2008) The Commissioner of
- 20 Environmental Protection shall develop a public education program to
- 21 encourage state residents to use biodegradable products and
- 22 environmentally safe alternatives to plastic bags or packaging and to
- 23 recycle.
- Sec. 502. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2008) (a) Each municipality shall
- 25 offer curbside recycling to all residents and businesses for which such
- 26 municipality provides municipal curbside collection of solid waste.
- 27 (b) Each trash hauler that offers curbside collection of solid waste
- 28 generated by residential, business, commercial or other establishments
- 29 in a municipality shall offer curbside recycling to each of such trash
- 30 hauler's customers at no additional charge above the trash hauler's
- 31 charge for solid waste collection. The provisions of this subsection
- 32 shall not be construed to prohibit any trash hauler from determining
- and adjusting its fees for combined curbside collection services.
- 34 (c) For the purposes of this section, "curbside recycling" means the
- 35 collection, by either municipal or private recycling vehicles, of
- 36 presorted recyclable materials left for such collection by residents and
- 37 businesses in the front of the property of such residents and
- 38 businesses, "recyclable materials" means glass, plastic, paper, cans,
- 39 newspapers, magazines and cardboard, and excludes bulk items such
- 40 as furniture, demolition waste or trees, and "collector" shall have the

same meaning as in subsection (g) of section 22a-220a of the general statutes.

43 Sec. 503. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2008) (a) Each public place shall 44 provide recycling receptacles at the same location as trash receptacles 45 that are accessible to the public. For the purpose of this section, "public 46 place" means any privately owned area or building, or portion thereof, 47 that is open to the public during normal business hours, including, but 48 not limited to, any (1) building that provides facilities or shelter for 49 public assembly, (2) inn, hotel, motel, sports arena, supermarket, 50 transportation terminal, retail store, restaurant or other commercial 51 establishment that provides services or retails merchandise, and (3) 52 museum, hospital, auditorium, movie theater and university building. 53 "Public place" does not include any building owned or leased by the 54 state or any political subdivision thereof.

- (b) The Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the provisions of this section.
- (c) Any person who violates this section may be subject to a civil penalty of not more than one thousand dollars for each offense. Each violation of this section shall be a separate and distinct offense, and, in case of a continuing violation, each day's continuance thereof shall be deemed to be a separate and distinct offense. The Attorney General, upon the request of the Commissioner of Environmental Protection, shall bring an action in superior court for the judicial district of Hartford to recover such penalty.
- Sec. 504. Section 26-6 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):
- (a) Conservation officers, special conservation officers and patrolmen appointed by the commissioner under authority of section 26-5, shall enforce the provisions of title 23 and this title and chapters 246, 247, 248, 255 and 268 and regulations adopted pursuant to such titles and chapters and sections 15-180, 22a-250, sections 1, 502, 503 and

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73 <u>505 of this act,</u> 6-192c to 26-192h, inclusive, 29-28 <u>of the 2008</u>

- 74 <u>supplement to the general statutes</u>, 29-35, 29-38, 53-134, 53-190, 53-191,
- 75 53-194, 53-203, 53-204, 53-205, 53a-59 to 53a-64, inclusive, 53a-100 to
- 76 53a-117a, inclusive, subsection (b) of section 53a-119b, 53a-122 to 53a-
- 77 125, inclusive, 53a-130, 53a-133 to 53a-136, inclusive, 53a-147 to 53a-
- 78 149, inclusive, 53a-157b, 53a-165 to 53a-167c, inclusive, 53a-171, 53a-181
- 79 to 53a-183a, inclusive, 54-33d and 54-33e.

- (b) Conservation officers, special conservation officers and patrolmen may, without warrant, arrest any person for any violation of any of the provisions set forth in subsection (a) of this section, and any full-time conservation officer shall, in the performance of his duties in any part of the state, have the same powers to enforce such laws as do policemen or constables in their respective jurisdictions. Any full-time conservation officer shall, incident to a lawful arrest while enforcing such laws in the performance of his duties in any part of the state, have the same powers with respect to criminal matters and the enforcement of the law relating thereto as policemen or constables have in their respective jurisdictions.
- (c) Any conservation officer, special conservation officer or patrolman may, anywhere within the boundaries of the state, examine the contents of any boat, ship, automobile or other vehicle, box, locker, basket, creel, crate, game bag or game coat or other package in which he has probable cause to believe that any fish, crustacean, bird or quadruped is being kept, in violation of any said statutory provisions or any regulation issued by the commissioner, or any regulation issued by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service as provided by section 26-91, and to ascertain whether any provision of any law or any regulation for the protection of any fish, crustacean, bird or quadruped has been or is being violated, and, shall have the same authority as police officers to obtain and execute search warrants as provided for in sections 54-33a, 54-33b and 54-33c.
- 104 (d) Any conservation officer, special conservation officer or 105 patrolman [,] may be appointed a special policeman under the

- 106 provisions of section 29-18.
- (e) The Commissioner of Environmental Protection is authorized to
- assign one or more conservation officers to patrol and inspect the
- 109 buildings, lands and waters owned by The White Memorial
- 110 Foundation, Incorporated, located in the towns of Litchfield and
- 111 Morris and, in addition to their powers as conservation officers, such
- officers may be appointed special policemen under the provisions of
- 113 section 29-18.
- 114 (f) Each conservation officer, special conservation officer or
- patrolman shall be sworn to the faithful performance of his duties.
- Sec. 505. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2008) (a) No cleaning or
- janitorial service employer shall combine segregated items required to
- 118 be recycled pursuant to subsection (a) of section 22a-241b of the
- 119 general statutes with nonrecyclable solid waste.
- (b) Any employer that violates subsection (a) of this section shall be
- subject to a civil penalty of five hundred dollars for each offense. Each
- 122 violation of said subsection shall be a separate and distinct offense,
- and, in case of a continuing violation, each day's continuance thereof
- shall be deemed to be a separate and distinct offense. The Attorney
- 125 General, upon the request of the Commissioner of Environmental
- 126 Protection, shall bring an action in superior court for the judicial
- 127 district of Hartford to recover such penalty. For the purposes of this
- 128 section, "employer" means one or more individuals, partnerships,
- associations or corporations or other entity which employs persons.
- Sec. 506. Section 22a-241b of the general statutes is repealed and the
- following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):
- 132 (a) (1) On or before February 1, 1988, the Commissioner of
- 133 Environmental Protection shall adopt regulations in accordance with
- the provisions of chapter 54 designating items that are required to be
- 135 recycled. The commissioner may designate other items as suitable for
- 136 recycling and amend said regulations accordingly. (2) On or before

137 February 1, 2009, the Commissioner of Environmental Protection shall

- 138 amend the regulations adopted under subdivision (1) of this
- 139 <u>subsection to require items made of polyethylene terephthalate plastic</u>
- and high density polyethylene plastic to be recycled.
- (b) Any item designated for recycling pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall be recycled by a municipality within three months of the establishment of service to such municipality by a regional processing center or local processing system.
- 145 (c) On and after January 1, 1991, (1) each person who generates solid 146 waste from residential property shall, in accordance with subsection (f) 147 of section 22a-220, separate from other solid waste the items 148 designated for recycling pursuant to <u>subdivision</u> (1) of subsection (a) 149 of this section, and (2) every other person who generates solid waste 150 shall, in accordance with subsection (f) of section 22a-220, make 151 provision for the separation from other solid waste of the items 152 designated for recycling pursuant to subdivision (1) of subsection (a) 153 of this section. On and after January 1, 2010, the provisions of this 154 subsection shall also apply to items designated for recycling pursuant 155 to subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section."